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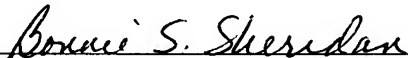
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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 8, 2008
AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.112**

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated January 8, 2008, for which a shortened statutory period for reply expired on April 8, 2008. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time is being filed herewith to extend the time for filing this paper to July 8, 2008. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Specification – begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims – begin on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings – begin on page 13 of this paper.

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